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1. [redacted] stated emphatically that there will be no connection between Amnesty and the forthcoming International War Crimes Tribunal. [redacted] admitted that the Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation, which is sponsoring the Tribunal, has made strenuous efforts to obtain Amnesty's collaboration. It is impossible for Amnesty to participate in the Tribunal, (1) because of the political and partisan nature of the event, and (2) because Amnesty in fact has no well-documented secret files on atrocities in Vietnam. The only information that Amnesty International ever had was Martha Gellhorn's eye-witness report from South Vietnam which Gellhorn has used in her various published articles.
2. While it is true that some of the leadership of Amnesty International feel very strongly about the injustice of the Vietnam War, [redacted] stated that they are not prepared to compromise the organization's principles in a dubious project, such as the Tribunal.

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